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<div style="text-align: center;">$\begin{array}{c} R_2 \\ \\ R_1 - C - N - R_4 \\ \quad \diagdown \\ R_3 \quad (CH_2)_n - X \end{array} \quad (I)$</div>			
(57) Abstract <p>Novel compounds of formula (I) are described wherein: $R_1 = (CH_2)_mCH_3$ where m is 0 or an integer in the range from 1 to 16, or an alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, alkylthio, or alkyl sulfinyl group having from 2 to 17 carbon atoms; $R_2 = H, CH_3$ or CH_2CH_3; $R_3 = H$ or CH_3; $R_4 = H$ or CH_3; $R_5 =$ lower alkyl having from 1 to 5 carbon atoms; n is an integer in the range from 1 to 3, and X is carboxyl (COOH) or carbalkoxy (COOR₅), cyano (C≡N), phosphonic acid (PO₃H₂), phosphonate ester (PO₃[R₅]₂) or 5-tetrazole, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof. Preferably, the compounds are optically pure enantiomers of the R- or S-configuration in which $R_3 = R_4 = R_5 = H$, $R_2 = CH_3$ and R_1 is a saturated aliphatic chain of one to five carbon atoms. The compounds are useful as cellular rescue agents.</p>			

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